

**Meeting Notes**  
**Friday, December 16, 2005**  
***UNAPPROVED***

- Staff recommended that the new library be name “Milpitas Public Library”, the lettering will fit where the name “Milpitas Grammar School” used to be.
- The Subcommittee agreed with staff and recommended that the new library be name “Milpitas Public Library”.
- Staff recommended that we honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., by naming the reference tower after him: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Reference Tower or Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholastic Center.
- Councilmember Livengood expressed that he would like to see something thoughtful, significant be name after the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Maybe we can put something along the wall or the open window area. As long as it is not just something sitting on the shelf. Something to consider is material relating to Dr. King and maybe something for the younger kids as well. A computer with headphone so that the younger kids can get information about Dr. King is good.

*Honor Cesar Chavez*

1. *Future staff negotiation with labor groups*
  - The consideration of a paid City Holiday to honor Cesar Chavez is being considered under the labor negotiation.
2. *Discuss proposed educational activities on March 31*
  - Staff present three educational activities for the Committee to consider: Dedicate Milpitas Community Garden, Host an art invitational exhibit, and Essay contest with Milpitas schools.
  - An essay contest will be interest for the kids. It will give them an opportunity to learn more about Cesar Chavez and the contest winner will award at the City Council meeting.
  - Councilmember Livengood recommended item #1 (Dedicate Milpitas Community Garden) and #3 (Essay contest with Milpitas schools). Councilmember Gomez agrees with Councilmember Livengood. The information will be send to Recreation Manager, Bonnie Greiner for planning.

*Honor Neil Mackenzie*

1. *Update from the Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association*
  - Staff has communicated with the Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association and they expressed that they would like the Hetch-Hetchy trail (from Washington Drive to Coelho Street) be name, ‘Neil MacKenzie Trail’. The plaque could relate the following message: “ We remember Neil as a community activist and president of the Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association. Neil promoted renovation of Augustine Park, music performances and celebrations, and the extension of this trail from the school to the park”.
2. *Update from Neil MacKenzie’s family*
  - Neil MacKenzie’s family would like to see the Hetch-Hetchy trail be name in honor of Neil MacKenzie.
  - Staff’s recommendation is to name Hetch-Hetchy trail, ‘Neil MacKenzie Trail’ The Committee stated that as long as the family gives their consist then it will be fine

*B. New Business*

*Naming Policy for Streets and Parks*

- The past practices for naming street and parks for the City of Milpitas are as Following:
  - a. Names recommended by Planning Commission, PRCRC, others
  - b. Names reviewed by Planning Commission, PRCRC, Police, Fire, County dispatch, and Post Office
  - c. Acceptable names list approved by Planning Commission.
  - d. Developer selects names from list.
  - e. Planning Commission and City Council approve names on maps.
- The Ordinance XI 7.01.8 Street Names states that all street names should be approved by the City Council and no duplication of street names shall be permitted. It is also stated in the Government Code, Section 34093 that the

City Clerk is to notify the County of new or changed street names. Councilmember Livengood stated that the property owners are only notify if there is a changed of street names.

- Staff presented the Committee a list of potential street names. Since September 1997, a couple of the names on the list have been used (Thompson, Alvarez, Hobs, Machado, etc). Although the City has a policy for street naming, we need to revise the currently policy to bring it up date. Staff presented some policies that has been adopted by our neighboring cities:
  - City of San Jose, policy was adopted on November 23, 1993
    - Uses a nomination form and guidelines
    - Encourage naming that reflects City ethnic diversity
    - Encourage recognition of individuals who have made a significant contribution
    - Recognizing service to the community may not be as appropriate to name permanent facility, but rather activities, events, presentations, or plaques
    - Encourages recognition of distinct geographic, environmental, or developmental features or historical names for naming City parks.
    - Encourages donations for on-going maintenance of parks and facilities.
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  - City of Campbell
    - Names submitted to Civic Improvement Commission for review and recommendation, then to City Council
    - City Council may request Commission to submit standing list of potential street names
    - Community Development Director reviews and process all requests for private street names.
  - City of Lost Gates
    - Currently on City Council Agenda (back burner item)
    - Currently operates of a list established 25 years ago
  - City of Santa Clara
    - No written policy – past practices
    - Submitted for review by Historical Committee, then to Streets Names Committee.
- The Committee requested that staff provide a draft policy for naming streets and parks. Councilmember Livengood does not feel that we need to wait a whole year to name street in honor of someone who have recently passed way.
- The Planning Director will bring back a draft policy in regards to naming streets and parks for the City.
- Councilmember Livengood request that Bonnie Greiner or one of her staff be present at the next Facility Naming Subcommittee.

**VII. Set Next Meeting  
Date: TBD**

- Next meeting will be for January 2006.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

